

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**DISCHARGE LAMP AND LAMP UNIT, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING LAMP UNIT**

the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto.

was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application  
 Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application or to the patentability of the invention claimed therein in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, section 119(a) - (d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

**PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)**

			Priority Claim	
2000-162946 (Number)	Japan (Country)	31/05/2000 (Day/Month/Year filed)	X Yes	No
_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year filed)	Yes	No
_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year filed)	Yes	No

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, '119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

## PRIOR PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

(application serial number)	(Month / Day / Year filed)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Status - patented, pending, abandoned

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

I hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_, Reg. No. \_\_\_\_\_, and each principal, attorney of counsel, associate and employee of Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., who is a registered Patent Attorney, my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I request the Patent and Trademark Office to direct all correspondence and telephone calls relative to this application to Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., P. O. Box 828, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48303 (248) 641-1600.

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Eighth Inventor's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Full name of ninth joint inventor, if any:** \_\_\_\_\_

Ninth Inventor's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

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## A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, Makoto KAI, Makoto HORIUCHI, Tomoyuki SEKI,  
Tsuyoshi ICHIBAKASE, Mamoru TAKEDA, Shinichi YAMAMOTO, Kenichi SASAKI  
(hereinafter designated as the undersigned) has (have) invented certain new and useful  
improvements in DISCHARGE LAMP AND LAMP UNIT, AND METHOD FOR  
PRODUCING LAMP UNIT for which the undersigned has (have):

- (a) filed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America on  
\_\_\_\_\_ having Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_; or
- (b) executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America on the  
date(s) indicated below; and

WHEREAS, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. of  
1006, Oaza Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-8501, Japan  
its heirs, successors, legal representatives and assigns (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) is  
desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any  
Letters Patent(s) that may be granted therefor in the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the  
undersigned in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and  
valuable consideration, the undersigned has (have) sold, assigned and transferred, and by these  
presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee the full and exclusive right to the said  
invention in the United States of America and its territories and for all foreign countries,  
dependencies and possessions and theentire right, title and interest in and to the application and  
any and all Letters Patent(s) which may be granted therefor in the United States of America and  
its territories, dependencies and possessions, and in and to any and all divisions, reissues,  
continuations and extensions thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be  
granted.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application  
and any continuing, divisional or reissue applications thereof and also to execute separate  
assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or  
expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any  
interference which may be declared concerning this application or any continuation, division or  
reissue thereof or Letters Patent(s) or reissue patent issued thereon and to cooperate with the  
Assignee in every way possible in obtaining and producing evidence and proceeding with such  
interference.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and to perform any act  
which may be necessary in connection with claims under or provisions of the International  
Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent(s) to the Assignee and to vest all rights therein hereby conveyed to the Assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned if this Assignment and sale had not been made.

The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States of America resulting from said application or any division or divisions or continuing or reissue applications thereof to the Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

This Assignment has been executed by the undersigned on the date(s) indicated.

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Makoto KAI*  
**Makoto KAI**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Makoto Horiuchi*  
**Makoto HORIUCHI**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Tomoyuki Seki*  
**Tomoyuki SEKI**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Tsuyoshi Ichibakase*  
**Tsuyoshi ICHIBAKASE**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Mamoru Takeda*  
**Mamoru TAKEDA**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Shinichi Yamamoto*  
**Shinichi YAMAMOTO**

Date: May 28, 2001,

*Kenichi Sasaki*  
**Kenichi SASAKI**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_,

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